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Sent: Sunday, December 22, 2013 5:32 PM

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Patrick; Greg Mitchell; felicity barringer; Robin Bravender; Randy Loftis; Juliet Eilperin

Subject: Malibu Schools' are NOT SAFE -Dr. Paul Rosenfeld:

Ken,

Thank you very much for letting me know that **Dr. Rosenfeld does not believe the Malibu schools** are safe.--"Paul doesn't think the School is safe given the elevated PCB levels in the caulk and dust so I don't believe he made any such statement [Emphasis supplied]."

Therefore, I would be grateful if you and/or Dr. Rosenfeld would notify EPA, DTSC, and the School District. I would also be grateful if you and/or Dr. Rosenfeld would communicate a letter-to-the-editor to all the applicable news media, including, but not limited to,

The Malibu Times and the Santa Monica Daily Press.

Thanks in advance.

Happy Holidays, Hugh

## Malibu Times: Feds Say Malibu School is Safe.

http://www.malibutimes.com/news/article\_91e77954-67b2-11e3-a6d3-0019bb2963f4.html

<u>Santa Monica Daily Press:</u> "officials with the EPA and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control

told board members and parents that the campus is safe."

See more at: http://smdp.com/malibu-schools-closed-because-of-cancer-scare-to-be-cleaned/130585#sthash.LcAtDRV0.dpuf

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Subject: RE: Honesty, Truth, and Transparency: The Malibu Schools' Contamination Case...

Hugh,

Paul doesn't think the School is safe given the elevated PCB levels in the caulk and dust so I don't believe he made any such statement [Emphasis supplied]. In fact, he says it is unusual to detect PCB in wipe tests because minimal cleaning would preclude that. He also has followed what is happening at other schools that are trying to remediate PCB and are having difficulties due to secondary contamination – in other words, caulk removal by itself may not completely solve the problem as the PCB gets absorbed into other building materials. Of course, we view removal of contaminated caulk as an immediate requirement.

Although we are not optimistic that it will occur, we do support having the school district hire Paul at least to oversee the testing. After all, they did follow his recommendation as to the lab and protocol for the initial PCB testing.

Please take a look our website and let me know of any thoughts or comments:

## www.malibuparents.org

Regards,

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Subject: Honesty, Truth, and Transparency: The Malibu Schools' Contamination Case...

## Ken-

I am sending this note because I am a big fan of you and your incredible intellect. I honestly think you can be a real mensch.

However, information has just come out,today, about your **Dr, Paul Rosenfeld,** that is very troubling, given his key position in your group.

According to newspaper accounts, you folks hired him to help protect the students and teachers to get honest testing of potential environmental

threats from hazardous materials at the Malibu schools.

He was hired with \$ that you folks solicited from the affected public.

One of the issues that you and **Dr. Rosenfeld** were concerned about, in November, was **soil contamination from pesticides, benzene, PCBs, etc.** 

"...As explained in SWAPE's [Dr Rosenfeld's organization] letter to us, in 2010 ARCADIS (the District's environmental consultant) discovered that the soil next to the buildings in the Middle School Quad was contaminated with PCB at over 11 times the California recommended levels (as well as with pesticides, benzene and toluene)..."

http://malibu.patch.com/groups/schools/p/parents-appoint-independent-consultant-to-review-malibu-high-health-concerns

There still has been **NO SOIL TESTING** for these hazardous materials that we all are still concerned about.

Notwithstanding, it has now come out, today, that your **Dr. Rosenfeld** recently told EPA [according to EPA Region 9] that the school

environment is **SAFE**. Eventhough there still has been no soil testing. It has further come out that your **Dr. Rosenfeld** had asked the School District to hire him, because he could do a better job than Mr. Katchen [in continuing the coverup?].

Why didn't your **Dr. Rosenfeld** tell the public that he thought there wasn't a big problem, when you folks were soliciting \$ for him, because of the soil contamination, etc.?

Ken, I think you folks owe an explanation, and an apology, to the folks you solicited funds from.

And, I would appreciate an explanation, because this is so out of character.

Thank you in advance for your explanation.

Be well, Hugh